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BEAUTIFUL ANITA HEMMING

THE STORY OF HER LIFE WHILE A STUDENT AT VASSAR.

Charmed her College Companions by her Grace, and Pleased her Teachers Because she was Studious, Thoughtful and Earnest.

From the New York World.

This is the true story of Anita Hemming, of Vassar, '97. In all the news of the recent past there has been nothing more dramatic than the story of this woman and the sudden revelation of the secret she had kept so well. The public was told that one of the most beautiful, the most brilliant and the most charming graduate of this year's class at Vassar was a Negro girl. The public was intensely interested, but to no one did the revelation come with such overwhelming surprise as to the classmates with whom Miss Hemming had been so closely associated for four years. In no mind, until recently, had there been the slightest suspicion of the truth.

MISS HEMMING'S DRAMATIC CAREER.

The story of Miss Hemming's college life and of the influences and characteristics that made her what she is will be told here. There is interest in it, as well as a moral lesson. There is inspiration, too, in the splendid triumph of this young woman who came into life so heavily handicapped for the career she has achieved. These are the things that she has done. How she has accomplished them and the manner in which she has surmounted all obstacles, will be told in detail later on. In 1888 she was graduated from the Prince Grammar school, Boston, at the head of her class. In 1890 she completed, with the highest honors the full course at the Girl's English high school in Boston. Subsequently she attended Dwight L. Moody's school at Northfield, Mass., and there prepared for the entrance examination of Vassar, astonishing her teachers and associates by her brilliant work. In 1893 she entered Vassar, from which she has this year been graduated with high honors.

VASSAR'S MOST BRILLIANT PUPIL.

During her four years at college she was a prominent and brilliant figure in the life of the great institution. She became a leader among the girls, a member among the most exclusive college societies, a guest in the best Poughkeepsie families and the idol of a large following of enthusiastic freshmen. She was lovingly called the "beautiful brunette." It was supposed that she had Spanish or possibly Indian blood in her veins. No one dreamed that in a little, modest Boston home there lived an honest mulatto who was her father, and a prepossessing mulatto woman is her mother. Both of these were light in color, and they had bequeathed to their child, with the mixed blood of their race, regular features and a clear olive complexion which many a white woman would give much to possess. To these parents Anita was born twenty-five years ago. Her father was a clever and industrious man. He worked hard, and almost from the beginning he was able to give his family the advantages offered by the average white husband and father of the middle class. Anita had a happy child hood. She was sent to school, where she associated with the white children of her age. At this time there was no effort made by her parents to conceal the Negro strain in her blood. It was probably the unconscious shrinking away from her of some playmate that first taught the colored child her alooftness and showed her that she must make much of life's journey alone. The thought did not discourage the ambitious little girl, who quietly laid out the plan of life which she has so consistently followed. In her wish for an education she had her father's affectionate support and aid. She entered the Prince Grammar school, in Boston, where she is still remembered as one of the brightest pupils. At the end of two years, during which she easily distanced all her associates, she was graduated at the head of her class. This honor secured her entrance to the Girl's English high school, where for four years she gained new laurels and wore them modestly.

HER FIRST FRIEND.

Just at this time she met the woman who has probably had most influence in the young girl's life. This woman was a philanthropist. She had broad sympathies and keen observation. She met Anita at Trinity church, Boston, where the girl had been a communicant since childhood. The clear headed and sympathetic woman of the world became deeply interested in the beautiful colored girl who was making such a steady, brave, up-hill fight against environment and tradition. She suggested college, and in the contemplation of this vista of delight, Anita almost forgot her peculiar relations to the world of ideas, achievements and white skins. She entered Moody's preparatory school at Northfield, and it is at this point that her career may be said to have begun. She was at this time a girl of twenty, with a beautiful face, a splendid intellect and a habit af introspection. Her parents mingled wholly with their colored friends, and her home life brought her into contact with the people of her own race. The line between her and the life she wished to lead seemed very sharply drawn. There was nothing about her, however, to suggest her Negro blood. Her skin was a clear olive, her eyes soft and dark, her hair straight as an Indian's, her figure and carriage perfect. She looks like a Spanish or Italian girl.

HER LIFE AT NORTHFIELD.

At Northfield Miss Hemming first had the experience of associating intimately with girls not of her own race. Her room-mate there, however, was Miss Bessie Baker, a mulatto like herself. Miss Baker has since became the wife of W. H. Lewis, a well known Negro citizen of Boston, who was known in his college days as Harvard's great centre rush. Miss Hemming was bridesmaid at the wedding, which occurred last autumn. She is now the guest of Mrs. Lewis in the latter's home, on Columbus avenue, Boston. During the year at Northfield the two colored girls were closely associated with the social as well as the educational life at Moody's school. Strangers looking at either of them had no suspicion of the presence of a strain of Negro blood. Their class mates seemed to have forgotten it. The happy life there and the temporary absence of the cloud that had hung over her may have aided Miss Hemming in her resolve to enter Vassar without the great handicap which she had carrid so long. She determined to conceal the fact of her Negro origin. This implied no false statements. She had merely to let it be assumed that she was as others were.

MISS ANITA HEMMING.

A NEW WORLD.

Miss Hemming entered Vassar. No one asked her whether she was Negro or New Englander, Indian or Spanish. She was young, brilliant and beautiful. That was enough. She had passed an excellent entrance examination. She had met the necessary requirements as to "good moral character." She promptly and quietly took her place at the head of her classes, friends flocked around her, professors praised her, she was initiated into the mysteries of secret societies and midnight "fudge" parties. Her college career had begun.

For almost a year she kept her secret well. Then she suddenly disclosed it. Perhaps it weighed upon her mind and she told it to obtain relief. Perhaps the disclosure was accidental. No one knows. But the girl chose her confidant wisely. She told her story to a member of the faculty—one of the most popular professors in the college This woman's attitude towards her brilliant pupil may be assumed from the fact that she subsequently visited Anita at her Boston home during the holidays. The Hemmings were humble people, and they made no effort to conceal the fact from the college professor who was their guest. Their friends and associates were colored people. There was no pretense of being white.

NO SCHOOL VISITORS AT HOME.

With the exception of this friend, Miss Hemming entertained no guests from Vassar in her Boston home. The professor, like Anita, kept the secret well. Anita's roommate was a beautiful and popular student, whose family held a high social position. Not even this girl suspected the truth for years. When she did Anita's first great trouble came. Miss Hemming's progress through Vassar was a triumphal one. She had a beautiful voice, hence she joined the glee club. She was also taken into the choir, and became a leader in the musical set of the college. She joined the choral club. As the months passed she was made a member of other college associations. Among these were the Contemporary Club, the '97 Federal Debating Society, a Greek club and the Marshall Club. But these were not all her triumphs. There are dances and festal days at Vassar, in which Harvard, Yale and Princeton men are allowed to participate. In large numbers these young men bowed at Anita's shrine. It was a Princeton youth who gave her the sobriquet by which she became renowned—"the beautiful brunette"

HER ROOMMATE LEAVES HER.

It was her roommate who finally caused the temporary downfall of this striking figure from its fine college eminence. In some manner this girl had discovered that Anita was of Negro parentage. She immediately changed her room and discontinued the acquaintanceship. It was the first blow in the colored girl's college course—and it was a bitter one Anita awaited further blows with an agonized fear. She knew that the story would spread like wildfire through the college, and she felt that the upbuilding of the structure she had raised was but a waste of time. To what end was all her work and study, if the friends she loved turned from her and the college she loved closed its doors to her? No one knows what the girl suffered, for she never told. She kept to herself, withdrew from her associates and became absorbed in her work. But they would not have it so. For some reason the roommate too, kept the secret. A few rumors started, but were immediately scoffed down. As the weeks passed, and her friends still rallied around her, Anita breathed again. She had had a narrow and a most dramatic escape.

During the last year of her college career Miss Hemming held one of the most prominent positions in the institution. It was admitted that she would graduate among the first. Without effort she held her supremacy as student and leader in the college set. She had never been a solitary nor a "dig"—two unpopular types at college. During her last year it was natural that she should cling fondly to the friends she had made and the social environment of which she knew she could never be eminece of which she knew she could never be sure again. She was a fascinating woman, and professors and students and strangers alike fell under the charm she exercised during these last months. In the midst of all this the revelation came.

MORE RUMORS ARE CIRCULATED.

Once more the little rumors began to circulate—this time more loudly and persistently than ever before. The girls began to eye her curiously, wonderingly. She knew that they were commenting, discussing. There was bitterness beyond words in this to the proud, sensitive woman. To her these girls had oome to seem like sisters. To them she was merely a creature to be discussed as a problem, a phenomenon. In grief and humiliation she went to a member of the college faculty, and in plain words told her story. There was nothing more for her to do but await the result. A faculty council followed. Some of the professors had surmised the truth. Every one knew it now. President Taylor himself advised that at so late a day no official action be taken to prevent the girl from graduating with her classmates. And so Miss Hemming's fate was decided. But she had worked harder than two-thirds of her class, and was graciously permitted, as a favor, to take equal rank with the members of that class Miss Hemming carried off the honors of commencement day. In the circumstances, it was not as happy an occasion as her splendid record deserved, but she made the best of it.

HER POST-COLLEGE CAREER.

Having graduated, she went at once to Boston. Within a month her story was given to the whole world. It will be a pleasant surprise to her, perhaps, to discover how much broader the point of view is, sometimes, outside of college walls. She has secured a position in the catalogue department of the Boston Public Library, and there she has begun her post-college career. She has already won the interest of wise men and women broad enough to appreciate her struggle with a "problem" larger than she is, and to glory in the way she has solved it. In the many conversations with her since her story has been made public, Miss Hemming has attempted no defense of her position other than to say that no one asked her while she was in college if she were white

HER SECRET NOT SUSPECTED

SHE THINKS SHE WAS NOT OBLIGED TO ANNOUNCE HER ORIGIN.

What Her Father has to Say Regarding Her Career—Mrs. Lewis, Her Former Room Mate, Defends Her—Dined by Vassar Girls.

or colored. She takes the ground that she was not under moral obligations to announce her origin. She says she entered college as any student would enter, purely on her merits and ability to pay the tuition demanded. Since she has become so conspicuous she has had much difficulty in avoiding persons who wish to see and talk with her. She has been asked by at least a dozen publications to write her impressions of college life, and she has generous offers for manuscript from many large newspapers. Her work in the catalogue department of the Boston Public Library occupies her from "8 o'clock in the morning until 5 in the afternoon." During her office hours nobody is permitted to see her, and when her work is finished she goes to the home of J. H. Lewis, a colored tailor, with whose wife, as before mentioned, she is living during the absence of her family at Cottage City. In contrast to her college career, her life is a lonely one. She denies herself to all callers except her most intimate friends.

HER MULATTO PARENTS.

Miss Hemming's own home is at No. 9 Sussex street. She has two brothers and a sister. One of her brothers—Frederic—was graduated from the Insitute of Technology last spring as a chemist. He is a dark and handsome youth, much like his sister in appearance. He visited her at Vassar on several occasions during her life there. The other children are still very young, but will be given educational advantages equal to those of their brilliant sister and brother. Miss Hemming's parents, as has been said, are both light in color. The father is 5 feet 6 inches tall, has gray eyes, good features and wears side whiskers cut after the English fashion. His eye-brows are heavy and arching and his hair straight. Mrs. Hemming, though darker than her husband, is a fine looking woman. Her straight black hair is lightly streaked with gray. Both parents are quiet, refined and exceedingly ambitious in behalf of their children. In speaking of his beautiful daughter last week, Mr. Hemming admitted that she had gone to Vassar as a white girl and had remained there as such.

THE FATHER'S STATEMENT.

"As long as she conducted herself in a manner becoming a lady," he said, "she did not think it necessary to proclaim the fact that her parents were mulattoes. She was always a quiet, studious girl, and from the time she first went to school, books were her chief pleasure. She did not care to associate with other children. She preferred to spend her time reading her favorite authors. Vassar was her ideal college. From the time she decided to go to college there was never any doubt in her mind as to the institution she proferred. Vassar was first, last and always." Miss Hemming's hostess, Mrs. Lewis, also valiantly upholds the young woman's attitude in college. A mulatto herself, and a woman who has experienced much that Miss Hemming has had to suffer, she can appreciate, perhaps, better than anyone else, the point of view of her much-discussed friend.

MRS. LEWIS DEFENDS HER.

"Miss Hemming," said Mrs. Lewis, "has not reflected an atom of discredit on Vassar or upon any other pupil She is good and true and refined. She is a gentlewoman by nature and education. Because her face did not tell her secret, should she have gone about proclaiming 'I am colored?' At first, I know, she thought of telling her associates at Vassar what she was. She was told by an excellent authority that it was not necessary for her to do this. So she kept her own counsel, and in doing so she did wisely. She could ornament any society. She proved this at Vassar, and I have faith enough in her to believe that she will prove it in the future as well as she has done in the past. Her record at Vassar is in fact the best answer that can be given to all the questions asked about her since her story has been made public. She was admired and loved there and put forward in all things. No one could know Miss Hemming well and not love her."

SEVERAL FRIENDS LEFT TO HER.

That all Vassar has not turned from Miss Hemming was shown recently by the visit of several Vassar girls, who called on her at her home and bore her off to their hotel to dine. The revelations concerning her Negro blood and the notoriety to which she has been subjected did not count with those loyal friends against the charm of the woman and the bonds of college life.

The Color Line Drawn.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

Miss Dora Lewis of 7030 Wallace street, celebrated her birthday Monday evening Aug. 23. Among the invited guests were Miss Bertha Granthan, Miss Lizzie Doris, Miss Hardy, Master Johnny Granthan and Mr. Howard. It was a pleasant affair. Frank B. Shepherd secured seats for himself and lady at the Alhambra Theatre a few evenings ago, but upon their appearance there were not allowed to occupy them. As Mr. Shepherd's tickets called for these seats he refused to t ke any others when an attempt was made to eject him and his lady. They defied attempt and were allowed to remain. A white man was about to be lynched by colored citizens on account of his attempting to assault the six year old daughter of Mrs. Green who lives in Fifteenth street. The brute made his escape.

HON. FREDERICK DOUGLASS

THE HERO OF OUR RACE, CAN NOT HAVE A SUCCESSOR.

His Life and Times are at an End, and Nothing Remains of that Which he was Best Fitted to do for Us as a Race—His Many Struggles.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

It is often said that such and such a man is the successor to that distinguished hero of our race, the Hon. Frederick Douglass. I think such an expression is erroneous, and shows want of investigation and reflection.

If we will investigate the time in which Mr. Douglass lived, the period of political and social circumstances which he moved, the duties devolving upon him, the opportunities for his exertion, or the hindrances to the same, we shall find that his life and times are at an end and nothing remains of that which he was best fitted to do for us as a race. His early life and struggles were devoted to the freedom of the American Negro from a cruel and barberous bondage. How well he labored in this direction, no tongue nor pen can adequately and well describe. The light which he lighted in the pathway from bondage to freedom; the path which he traveled, the experiences which he encountered, the evidences he gave of Negro manhood, and the battle for human rights in which the Negro should share, were all a cycle of life in the history of the Negro begun and ended. He was born a slave and fought the battle of freedom for himself and his race. It was a struggle for personal liberty for the millions, of which he was one. The issues, political, social, civil and religious were of a distinct caste and specific character. They were all achieved before he died. It is said that "poets are born" and "men are the creatures of circumstances." That God raises men up to fight his battle for truth as he requires them, and when the battle is over, He retires them to the life beyond. It was so with Moses, likewise with Cromwell, Peter the Great, Napoleon Bonaparte, Washington, Martin Luther and Lincoln, Wilberforce, Lovejoy, Garrison, Phillips and Sumner.

These men lived in a period for which they were fitted; fought the battles for which they were raised up. They have had nor can have no successor. A new era has arisen, and new men are needed for it. Men are to be judged in the light of the present, and not the past issues. Such men have arisen among us; such as Bruce, Lynch, Elliott, Pinchback, Bowen, Smalls, Dancy, Stewart, Price, Hood, Arnett, Payne, Washington, Coppin, Kealing, Tanner, Langston and others. These and many more are leaders, not successors to anyone. They are fighters of new issues arising daily, based upon American citizenship. Indeed, I may say that we are lacking in the present even in true leadership, not because the heart to lend is wanting, but the opportunity. Leadership means heroism, and heroism means self sacrifice.

The heroes of Anglo-Saxon heritage are men and women with the widest opportunity to lead, viz: Nelson at Trafalgar, Wilberforce in parliament; Gladstone and Bright were leaders with opportunity to lead. We can have no leaders until men are put in position to lead others; money, office, education and heart are the means of leading effectively. A defender must be strong not only in faith, but upon pedestal. In short, a Negro leader must be independent of others in his leadership. He cannot lead and ask at the same time. Obligations are reciprocal, duties are binding and independent.

In these remarks I distinguish a hero from a leader. Heroes are born, circumstances make leaders. Heroism depends on nothing but truth; expediency guides leaders Douglass was a hero in the strife between freedom and bondage. His chart was made by Garrison, who would not compromise because the constitution as then interpreted, was a league with hell In short, I mean to say that a Negro leader must not ask; he must be independent in speaking, in writing and in fighting the cause of the Negro. How many are there? How many can there be where opportunity is denied them? Lincoln could not have preserved the Union by his wisdom until he was President of the United States. Opportunity to put in practice his views, made him available to the Nation. Those of us who would deny honorable aspiration to others to fill office, or obtain means, deny the opportunity to lead. We must fill positions of trust, honor and emolument, when we are capable and fit, in order to lead our race in civil endeavor. Compromise for expediency sake is a snare and a delusion.

The battles of to-day must be fought by Negroes, not leaders; hence Douglass can have no successor. He who arises to fight our cause must look at the present and forward, and not the past. His work must be based on today and to-morrow, not yesterday. Slavery is at an end. We are now American citizens. Yours truly,

D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 25, '97.

Teachers' Meeting.

Donnels, Tenn., Special.

The teachers' meetings will be held the second and fourth Saturdyas in each month. Prof. F. G. Carney, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., attended the meeting, and is general manager of the work. M. L. Miller is secretary, Miss Rosa Childress treasurer, H. C. P, Newsom vice-president, and the writer is honored with the chair. In our immediate vicinity we have just closed a protracted effort in which five additions were made to the church. They are as follow: Misses Minnie Pinkerton, Leckie Laws, Willie E. Lyon, and Messrs. Joseph Phillips and Bud Lyon. Our school is in nice trim. The Sabbath school is also lively. We all like The Freeman. God hasten the day it will be placed in the home of every family. No intelligent reader could possibly do without it. It is certainly spicy and filled with variety. Certainly that pleases the true Negro.

Local Lines from Leadville.

Leadville, Col., Special.

The delegates to the grand session of A. F. and A. M., which convened in Denver August 9, have returned and are loud in their praise of the Queen City and the hospitable way in which they were entertained. The next Grand Lodge will convene in Colorado Springs a year hence. The annual session of the Colorado Conference of the A.M.E. Church convened in this city September 1, Bishop B. T. Tanner presiding. His address while in the city will be 304 W. Sixth street. Mrs. T. S. Stewart is visiting her mother in Wichita, Kan. Rev. C. M. Smith and wife, of Aspen, are the guests of Mrs Emily Ewing, Mrs. Smith's grandmother. Mrs. Sophia Anderson has returned from a protracted visit to Denver and other points in the state. J. H. Shepherd is home from a month's visit in Kansas and Missouri. J. W. Young is suffering with a granulated eyelid. Mrs. Dryar, of Oakland, Cal., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Susan Anderson. The entertainment given by the young people at St. Luke's A. M. E. Church for the benefit of the pastor was well patronized, and quite a sum was realized. Rev. J. T. Smith will preach his farewell sermon on the 29th. It is not yet known whether he will be returned to his charge or not, but he has done good work during his stay here, and we voice the sentiment of the entire church when we say that he has the best wishes of all, and may grace, mercy and truth go with him and his faithful wife wherever they may be sent. Mrs. Castine Ferguson returned from Colorado City on the 1st of September so as to be in attendance at the conference. Mrs. Henderson, of Fort Worth, who is visiting her brother, J. T. Hedspath, in Denver, will be in our city in September and will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. D. L. Robinson. We are informed that some eight or ten of the ministers' wives will attend the conference. We are sorry they cannot all come. Little Hermione Jones is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lightner, in Denver. Mrs. Wm. Robertson has returned home from Boies City, Idaho. Miss Rose Harris has recovered from a severe spell of sickness and is able to be out again. Mrs. Kittie Robertson, 212 W. Fifth street, will entertain Rev. Mrs. Lena Mason during her stay at the conference. The weather is beautiful, and we hope it will continue so during the stay of the visitors in the city. Mrs. Freeman Betters, of Salida, who has been spending some time with her husband, who is employed at the Elgin smelter, has returned home. James Allen was in from the lakes last week. Mr. Dyar, of Denver, was in the city last week on his way to Twin Lake, where he is employed for the summer. J. D. D Rivers and daughter Vivian, of Denver, are the guests of Mrs. M. E. Robinson, 214 W. Fifth street. Mr. Rivers, editor of the Colorado Statesman, spent Sunday in this city in the interests of his paper.

A Commendable Entertainment.

Houston, Tex., Special.

The literary entertainment to be given September 10-11 for the purpose of securing a scholarship in Bishop College for E. C. Branch will no doubt meet with complete success. Reporters for the Houston Post and Galveston News will be present. The program is made up of Houston's best talent. Mr. Branch will continue his correspondence with the press when he reaches Marshall, Tex. The Freeman can be had at 919 San Filipe street from Hon. R. Gleed & Co. $1.50 per year; club of ten, $1.25 each; club of 20, $1 each. Call now.

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Our representative in Meridian visited St. James A. M. E. church on the night of the 22d ult , and after collection was over, Rev. W. H. Coleman, the pastor, introduced the Rev. Mrs. Martha, of Tiberdo, La., who preached a noble sermon. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. She preached the following week at St. James A. M. E. church. Rev. George Greer, of Hattisburg, has been visiting friends and relatives here. Prof. O. C. Garrett, who has been visiting through the different parts of Alabama, has returned to the city. Mrs. Frances James left Tuesday, the 17th, to visit friends in Preshmataha, Ala., to be absent about two weeks. Jim James has bought a place for his family on the corner of Thirteenth street and Thirty-third avenue. Dan Webster, of Ft. Stephen, spent the 15th ult., in Meridian visiting friends relatives. Mrs. Lizzie Arrington, formerly of Meridian, but now of Chattanooga, is visiting her many friends in the city. Wesley Moore spent the 22d ult , with his daughter, Mrs. L. Adams, on Eleventh street. Mrs. L. L. Murray, of Mobile, Ala., and her two children, Willard and Lemonia, passed through Meridian on the 18th ult., enroute to Corinth, Miss. They will visit relatives in Arkansas before returning to Mobile. Miss Virginia Ramsey, who has been to Selma, Ala., for some time, has returned to the city.

Installation services were held at New Hope Baptist church Sunday, the 22d ult. Hon. J. C. Hill acted as chairman; Rev. Dr. J. A. Hackett, (white), editor of the Baptist Record, spoke of the relationship of the church to the pastor. Dr. J. M. May, M. D., presented the pastor's duty to the church. The pastor, Rev. Dr. S. A. Rivers, responded in an eloquent manner. Rev. J. A. Jones, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, East End, and congregation, attended the Installation in the afternoon. The St. James A. M. E. church is carrying on a revival. Rev. W. H. Coleman is ably assisted by Rev. Mrs. Martha Young. Dr. Coleman says the city will soon put an electric light at the church. Miss Daisy Graham, accompanied by her cousin, Mack Williams, returned home. The Sons and Daughters of Jacob of America, has been organized here by Deputy McKlein. The officers are T. O. Mitchell, M. N. S. P.; G. B. Rhone, W. R. M. N.; L. V. Buckley, G. S.; J. C. Payne, Asst. G. S., J. W. Smith, W. T.; T. Murray, W. G.; P. Lee, chaplain; W. M. Lee, M. of P.; Mrs L. Adams, I. G.; Sam Rhone, O. G. Mrs. E. H. Triplett left on the 26th ult., for West Side, Miss. Charlie Roby has gone to West Side, Miss., to attend school. Mayor E. H. Dial has been appointed a delegate to attend the Mayor's convention that meets in a few days.

TENNESSEE CENTENNIAL

Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Nov. 1st—Big Four Route.

The great southern exposition has created great interest throughout the country and applications are being made as to the best route to reach this great southern city. The "Big Four" has the best line from the East with through train service to Cincinnati from New York, Boston, Buffalo, Cleveland and Columbus; from Detroit, Toledo and Sandusky to Cincinnati; and from Chicago and Benton Harbor to Cincinnati and Louisville. Direct connections are made with Q. & C. Route and the L & N. Ry. Full information will be cheerfully given upon application.

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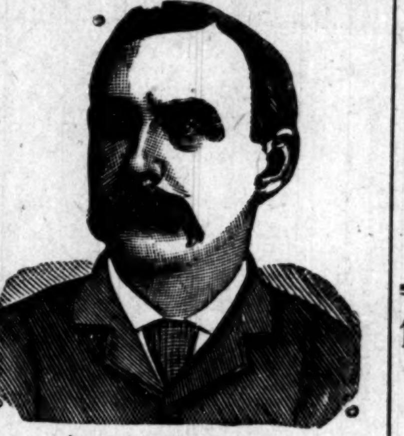

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
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Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This letter is to certify that my husband had gone away and had been absent two years. I mourned for him night and day. I gave him up as dead. Hearing of the wonderful things Dr. Shea was doing I resolved to consult him. He told me that my husband was alive and well and where he was; told me he would come home and when. To my joy all of it came true. He is home now. came back like one from the dead. I also wish to say that this month I lost $250. I am a poor woman and I was almost insane. I went to Dr. Shea and he told me I would find my money and to my intense joy I did find it as he told me. I thank God there is a man so gifted in our midst that can help people and tell them what to do.

Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,
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EDITOR FREEMAN:

For three years I have been a constant reader of the spicy and interesting news letters from Shelbyville, Tenn., but up to ten or twelve days ago I had never seen the beautiful and enterprising little city, of which I wish to write. Shelbyville is located in what is known as Middle Tennessee, and is the county seat of Bedford county, one of the wealthiest and most prosperous counties in the state. It has a population of about 5,000 souls, and is the thriftiest city of its size in Tennessee. Shelbyville will hardly create a favorable impression on a stranger at first sight, but a little investigation will convince anyone that it is a progressive city, and that its citizens are intelligent and liberal minded, ever ready to take hold of anything that will advance their interest.

Shortly after my arrival in Shelbyville, I had the pleasure of meeting Prof. J. C. McAdams and Hon. W. H. Gosling, who left nothing undone trying to make my visit both pleasant and profitable. Prof. McAdams is a classical graduate from the famous Fisk University, and as an educator he ranks among the foremost in the state. As a writer, he has contributed in no small degree towards helping to make Afro-American journalism a success. And many of his poems, such as "Before and After Marriage," "The Negro In It," etc., will long be remembered by the readers of The Freeman. At present Prof. McAdams is principal of the city schools and is an attorney-at-law. About Hon. W. H. Gosling a great deal could be said, for he is indeed an interesting character. He is a pleasant gentleman to meet, and so far as manners are concerned, he may be called a disciple of Lord Chesterfield, for he is the quintessence of politeness. Mr. Gosling was connected with The Freeman for five years as its local agent and correspondent, and during that time he made many friends for it. Mr. Gosling is a model citizen and enjoys the esteem and confidence of both white and black, commercially, financially and educationally. The colored race is doing as well or better than you will find in most towns of from four to five thousand inhabitants. This is saying quite a deal for Shelbyville, but my statement is true nevertheless.

Prominent among the colored business men are Messrs. W. H. Gosling, C. J. Thompson and T. T. Ransom. The goods that these gentlemen keep in stock will compare favorably with any in the city. There is one particular feature about Shelbyville of which I wish to speak, and that is the fair treatment accorded the colored race. In most small towns in the South you can hear the detestable word "nigger" on nearly every street corner, but not so in Shelbyville. You hardly ever hear that mean expression "nigger," in this town, and when you are so unfortunate as to hear it, you never hear it from the lips of the better class, but from some poor, degraded white men, or some uncouth Negro. Quite a number of the prominent white citizens of this beautiful little city are regular subscribers of The Freeman, and some of them have read it for five years. Among some of the white citizens who subscribed for The Freeman, I take pleasure in mentioning the following: Judge Ernest Coldwell, Dr. McGrew, Mr. Mallard, Senator Parker and a host of others equally as prominent.

Dr. Turner, the only colored physician in Shelbyville, is doing remarkably well in his profession. Rev. B. A. J. Nixon, pastor A. M. E. church, is an energetic gentleman of excellent standing. He is a dear lover of The Freeman, and says it would go hard with him to be without it. Mr. D. A. Parker, of Flat Creek, Tenn., who subscribed for The Freeman a few weeks ago, thinks it is one of the greatest newspapers of the age. Mr. Parker is a well-to-do farmer and is an intelligent gentleman. Hon. J. T. Allison, mayor of Shelbyville, subscribed for Freeman, and wished for me much success on my Southern tour. For the favors shown me while in Shelbyville, The Freeman extends to its broad hearted citizens its heartiest appreciation.

Yours very truly,
GRANT S. NEAL.

Nashville, Tenn.

Returned from Association.

South Bend, Ind., Special.

Rev. George D. Smith has returned from Adrain, Mich., where he has been attending the Association. He reported a good and prosperous meeting, with one new church. His object when elected moderator four years ago was to bring the colored Baptist of the state of Michigan into the Chainlake Association, and praise the Lord. We have almost got them in. If Detroit would come in the state would be Baptist It will be seen now what Rev. C. R. Brown will do, as he takes the chair as moderator. Rev. J. K. Hart left on Tuesday for Conference at Flint, Mich. We hope he will return. There was no meeting at the Baptist church last Sunday. All went to hear Rev. J. K. Hart preach his farewell sermon. Last Sunday was election day with the Sunday school at the Baptist church. Our young men and ladies are learning that excursions are not the thing for them while it is a profit to the operators. Rev. Thomas Smith, the brother of Rev. G. D. Smith, passed through the city from the West enroute to Indianapolis. He has been gone for twelve years. Rev. J. K. Hart has closed his campmeeting without sucess. The two Sunday schools picniced together recently at Studabaker's park. Miss Cora Coker and Miss Helen Lee were delegates to the Sunday school convention at Adrain, Mich., August 19th.

THE FREEMAN APPRECIATED.

RENFROE, ALA., Aug. 9.—Hon. Geo. L. Knox: Find enclosed cne dollar for The Freeman. I don't want it to stop. I can't get on without The Freeman. Your friend, G. W. JOHNSON.

CAIRO, ILL., Aug. 16.—Editor Freeman: You will find enclosed an express money order for renewal of my subscription. I have been a subscriber for your paper four or five years. I find no better paper, and I have read a great manv. Yours respectfully,

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CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISS., Aug 17.—To the Editor: I see that your paper is much needed in this part of the country, as there is no colored paper here. I think it would be the upbuilding of the race here. If agreeable to you I would like to get the agency. You will please answer and oblige yours truly,

THOMAS FORD.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Aug. 10—Dear Sir: Please find enclosed my renewal of subscription, and accept my most sincere thanks in appreciation of your patience with me and your goodness in sending me the paper so regularly. By a possible miscarriage, however, the issue of July 10th has not reached me, and I so dearly like to peruse every issue of your paper that even at this late date I would appreciate it as a special favor if you would send me a copy of that date. DR. A. N. LUSHINGTON.

BOSTON, MASS., Aug. 18.—Geo. L. Knox, Esq.: Will you please send me two copies of The Freeman, dates August 14 and 21? You will find enclosed 12 cents in stamps for the same. I have read all the papers published by my race in the east, south and west, and I must say with a clear conscience that The Freeman is beyond a doubt the most intellectual and interesting paper that is printed by colored people. Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I remain yours respectfully,

W. L. JOHNSON.

News and Notes.

McMinnville, Tenn., Special.

Rev. T. T. Murray, ex-pastor of Brown's Chapel, A. M. E. Church at this place, has been superceded by Rev. J. T. Frierson, of Columbia, Tenn., who has been appointed to said charge by Rev. H. D. Canady, P. E. Rev. Frierson preached an able and eloquent sermon last Saturday night. Rev. H. W. White, presiding elder of Nashville District M. E. Church, was here in the interest of the district conference, which convened here on the 24th. Mrs. Rev. J. W. Richmond, of Shelbyville, is here visiting at the residence of Mrs. Hettie Lane. Messrs. H. Anderson and J. H. Hudgins, of this place, went to Nashville last Tuesday as delegates to attend the District Grand Lodge of G U. O. of O. F. and Household of Ruth, returning Saturday. Messrs. John Anderson and T. H. Spencer attended the Centennial at Nashville last week. The public installation of officers of Mordecai Lodge, G. U. O. of O. F. was a grand affair. Subscribe for The Freeman.

Death of an Honored Citizen.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Hon. G. Q. Boyd, a lawyer, was killed here Aug. 23d, by George Dabney, who runs an eating house on Strawberry alley. Kates & Outlaw's tailor shop on Franklin street, was the scene of the tragedy. Boyd had sent after his pants and on the refusal of them being sent to him, he proceeded to the shop, where it is supposed some words were passed between the tailor and Boyd. A third party, George Dabney, interfered, and the tragedy followed. Boyd staggered down stairs into Firse and Shelton's barber shop where he fell in the door and soon expired from a shot in the back and side, both shots taking effect. Dabney surrendered to the police immediately after the shooting. Boyd was a member of St. Paul's A. M. E. church. The whole affair was an outcome of an old grudge. Boyd had practiced law in the civil and other courts of Tennessee. He was reared and trained by Prof. Quarles, graduating in this city and attended a college. Boyd was known as the "Silver Tongued Orator of Tennessee.

Prof. Councill's Lecture a Success.

Prof. W. H. Councill, Ph. D., president of the A. and M. College at Normal, Ala., recently delivered a course of three lectures before the Epworth League Training Assembly at Ludington, Mich. President Councill had the honor of being the only man of his race on the program, and his utterances on questions affecting the welfare of his people were warmly received. He discussed the following topics: "Negro Education in the South," "The Race Problem: What is It?" and "How I Helped Myself." The lecture on "Negro Education in the South" will soon appear in one of the leading magazines of the country.

The Ludington Daily Mail, commenting on his presentation of "The Race Problem: What is It?" said: "It was well worthy of a crowded house. Prof. Councill wittily turned the tables upon the white man, shifting upon him the burden of the race problem." After reviewing at some length the lecture the Mail closes its comment thus: "Such, in brief, are a few of the salient points in what was an impassioned appeal for fairness and justice in the consideration of the race problem. That the lecturer viewed the question from a lofty point and faithfully and truthfully presented a phase of the question we are prone to ignore must be admitted. Such discussions of the question cannot fail to be productive of much good."

To Suppress Mob Low.

The National Anti-Mob and Lynch Law Association, with headquarters in Springfield, O., has elected the following officers: National President, Wm. H. Dixon; National Secretary, Samuel E. Huffman; National Organizer, E. T. Butler. The organization is incorporated under the State laws of Ohio. It is proposed to establish branches of the association throughout the country for the purpose of discouraging mobs and to secure such legislation as will insure the suppression entirely of such practices. The office of the association is located at 503 Lagonda avenue, and for all information concerning the association should be addressed to the secretary at the above number.

SAMUEL E. HUFFMAN,
Springfield, O.

BRYAN'S PAPER.

The Editor Again Restored to Health

Mr. George W. Hervey, editor of the Weekly Omaha World-Herald, is a perfect picture of health and looks more like the Hervey of other days. To see him now, one can hardly believe that he has been such a great sufferer. He writes of his failing health and recovery, in his characteristic way as follows:

"For several years I was troubled with indigestion so severe as to make it impossible to take more than two meals a day without intense suffering. I grew worse gradually until, July 1895, I was suddenly attacked with increased pain and soreness over the pit of my stomach and sharp pains in my right side which rapidly increased until I could scarcely get my breath. A physician was called for immediate relief and hypodermic injections of morphine were resorted to for relief. I was able to be out in about a week but had a second attack the following August, more intense than before. I was reduced from 156 to 134 lbs. in nine days and left wholly unable to take any nourishment. I lived on lime water and a very little milk for several days after, For one year I carried morphine pellets in my pockets ready for an emergency. All this time my stomach was sore and very sensitive. I discovered that what would agree with my stomach this week would probably not next week and that I was getting nearer and nearer to a final collapse, I consulted 3 of the best physicians in the state and two agreed fully as to my ailment but failed to give me relief. Having utterly failed to obtain relief, I finally made arrangements to go to Chicago to be treated when my little boy chanced to get a sample package of Dr. Kay's Renovator which he brought to me. I was induced to try it, not having the least faith in its virtues. I thought the sample relieved me and I purchased a 25 cent box. Before it was all used I had so improved that I was taking three meals a day, which I had not done for years. I then used one package of the large Dr. Kay's Renovator and one more of the small size. It is eight months since I commenced using Dr. Kay's Renovator and I now have no symptoms whatever of my old trouble. I have recommended it to many of my friends for stomach trouble and I think all have reported relief." Geo. W. Hervy, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 17, 1897. Dr. Kay's Renovator is sold by druggists or sent by mail for 25 cts. and $1. Booklet free Dr. B. J. Kay Medical Co., Omaha, Neb. Sold by H. C. Pomeroy, opp. post office.

TO THE MEMORY OF REV. M. VANN.

BY DIXIE E. WILLIAMS.

All else was gay—
The very sky was decked in bright array;
All nature smiled and whispered low,
"Heaven doth to man great kindness show."

But 'neath the roof of a cot so gray
An anxious Ruth spoke another way;
"I cannot give him up," cried she,
"My husband, Death, away from me;
Thy cruel hand must not entwine
The one I've always thought divine.
See yon bright steeple towering high,
And bands of worshipers drawing nigh.
Their shepherd, too—you must not steal!
Hast thou no heart? Can'st thou not feel?"

Then Death so ghastly made reply:
"I'll aught defy! Mankind must die!"
Now creeping in with softest tread,
Death found his victim fast abed.
"And, sir, you've come?" The weakened form
Stretched out a languid, nerveless arm;
"I had not thought you to delay,
For debt to you all men must pay.
Nor do you come to my surprise—
Your visit soon I did surmise.
Quit me this once I will not ask—
I think I've done a servant's task."
And, smiling sweetly, bade adieu
To weeping loved ones not a few.

All else was sad—
The very day was far from being glad;
And Nature bowed her head and said,
"Heaven's choicest one is almost dead."

Then 'neath the roof of that cot so gray
God's patient servant passed away!
"We cannot give him up," they said;
When word from shore to shore had sped.
The leader of our Baptist rank—
The foremost one, so bold, so frank.
See what a host of helpless men
With wives and children to defend.
Their counselor, too. O God, be kind!
Could'st thou no other mortal find?

Then angels sweetly made reply:
"Let none deny! Mankind must die!"

And so this comfort comes to all,
Although grim Death may quickly call,
And from our ranks a man be driven
To whom great trust and hope is given:
"A servant's task I know I've done—
A crown above I know I've won."

Let all mankind beneath the sun
Know life is short, nor waste in fun;
But work each day, do what we can
To lift the cross, to raise up man;
And when no longer time is given
We'll meet our loved ones then in Heaven.

A SONG.

Bring me the juice of the honey fruit,
The large, translucent, amber hued,
Rare grapes of southern isles, to suit
The luxury that fills my mood.

And bring me only such as grew
Where fairest maidens tend the bowers,
And only fed by rain and dew
Which first had bathed a bank of flowers.

They must have hung on spicy trees
In airs of far enchanted vales,
And all night heard the ecstasies
Of noble throated nightingales.

So that the virtues which belong
To flowers may therein tasted be,
And that which hath been thrilled with song
May give a thrill of song to me.

For I would wake that string for thee
Which hath too long in silence hung,
And sweeter than all else should be
The song which in thy praise is sung.

—Thomas Buchanan Read.

THE SQUIRRELS IN THE OAK.

How They Kept House and Got Their Provisions.

My favorite boarders in the oak were the gray squirrels. The boys knew their hole from the woodpeckers' at a glance, for it was in the living trunk of the tree, and the red brown margin always showed where their powerful teeth had been cutting away the bark that threatened to grow in and close them up. I have oftened wondered how the woodpeckers knew that it would imprison them, and that they must put up with the dead limb.

As for the grays, they were not afraid to live in the heart of the oak, and what stores of nuts, harvested in the hickories on the hill, they did manage to "tote" up there. There must have been a peck at least when I ruthlessly chopped into the hollow with a sharp hatchet and captured a fine brood of young ones that were soon tamed into graceful and affectionate pets.

The old father and mother we did not want, even if we could have caught them, because they are fierce and untamable in captivity.

The abduction of their pretty children did not seem to weigh much on their minds. They gave no sign of the poignant grief, not to be comforted, that I have seen, for instance, in bluebirds whose nest had been despoiled, but refitted their den as snugly as before and raised another family.

When my squirrels went harvesting, one of them first held his head in the mouth of the hole for half a minute to see if the coast was clear. Presently out he whisked and stopped again to make sure, while his mate followed. Then Mr. Squirrel gave a rasping, long drawn bark of defiance, which must have filled his lady's heart with admiration for his boldness and with apprehension lest some unwary creature should come within reach of her lord's anger.

Then—if you didn't betray yourself and send both scampering in wildest fright back to the hole—after playing hide and seek for a few moments they ran in single file out to the topmost twigs of a great bough, gained a branch of the neighboring bare walnut and, crossing to its farther side, made a desperate flying leap into the top of a young hickory. Running half way down this, they used a succession of dogwoods and oak saplings until they had reached the grove of tall, straight hickories on the hill, an eighth of a mile from their hole in the oak. Come on them suddenly now if you would care to see fast time made over this queer course and some record breaking leaps that fairly take away one's breath.—Scribner's Magazine.

Autograph Fiends.

The author of "Chats With Celebrities," Mr. Guild, says of the demand upon Longfellow for his autograph:

I remember one very pleasant party at the poet's dinner table, at which Mr. Monti, Professor E. N. Horsford and myself were present, when Mr. Longfellow related a number of amusing anecdotes respecting applications that were made to him for autographs. He was very kind to autograph seekers and used to keep in a little box upon his writing table a number of slips upon which were written, "Yours very truly, Henry W. Longfellow." One of these would be sent to the applicant by a member of his family to whom he passed over their requests.

But the autograph seekers were not always satisfied with a mere signature, and he often sent a verse from one of his poems signed with his name. The most remarkable request, however, came from a lady in Boston, who, the poet said, sent him by express a package of 150 blank visiting cards, with a letter requesting that he would inscribe his name on each of them the next day, as she was to have a grand reception at which a number of literary people would be present, and she wished to present each one of her guests with the poet's autograph.

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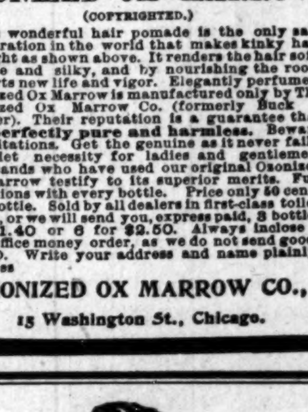

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THE NEGRO NON PERSONA GRATA.

The Negroes residing in Elwood, Ind., have been warned to leave and serious trouble is threatened if they are not gone in a few days. On numerous occasions during the past twelve years colored people have made efforts to establish permanent residence in that city, but were invariably driven away, as their presence there threw many white persons out of positions as cooks, waiters, coachmen and watchmen. Two months ago a colony of fifty Negroes went there and expressed a determination to brave all dangers and make Elwood their home. A number secured employment and then warnings began to be served on them. Six grew frightened and departed, but the others remained and are attempting to brave it out. Trouble is threatened if they remain.—Indianapolis Journal.

Doubtless many people of this state and country will be surprised to know that there is a rood of ground in Indiana where a Negro can not "light." But it is a fact, though no stress is ever laid on it, that there are several places in this state where a Negro is as a red flag to a bull. Such places as Aurora, Bennettsville and a few others are very "hot" for Negroes. It is held that Seibert, the well known sewer contractor of this city, now working in Blufton, Ind., the home of Representative Eichorn, has been forbidden to bring Negroes in Wells county. This is a burning shame. The people of the more favored portions of the state are contending for enlarged rights and higher privileges, yet in other portions these high handed proceedings obtain. If custom has established such usages in these particular parts, the custom must be uprooted at once or else it will stand as a living menace and a damning precedent, that will always be imperiling. This custom even now seeks to fasten its fangs on other localities. Elwood, Ind., the cynosure of all political eyes in past campaigns, owing to its tin plate industry, a great object lesson for the whole country, the source of information, a mecca true as ever the faithful pilgrimaged, this same Elwood has set up this hated standard: "Negroes not wanted!" This impudence on the part of Elwood must not be countenanced. The Negroes should stay here at all hazards. If they must fight for peace it will not be at their bidding. If there is compensatory justice on earth, if a man reaps what he sows, there will be an evening up somewhere and somehow. Owing to the general prohibition of Negroes joining labor organizations all over the country, we can well understand why Negroes are being debarred from these shops at Elwood, no justice mind you, a reason simply; but there is no reason that Negroes should not enjoy existence in this tight little ville, doing whatever their hands find to do. It is too much to expect these unusually hard lines to be drawn. A principle is being demonstrated that means rout and confusion to those who are seeking enlarged liberties. It is summed up thus: "'Tis little by little that the liberties of the people are stolen from them." Some one must see to it that the "embargo act" be withdrawn, or else it will become infectious. Ere long some other town that feels incensed at some slight misdemeanor, or some advantages gained by Negroes, will unfurl the same standard as the one at Elwood, of tin industry memory. What has been done in the past has been borne with heroic fortitude. This new movement is threatening, and must not be endured with complacency. The right to live, to exist, is one which God alone should be the arbiter. There are no laws that permit the driving of individuals from communities under any pretext whatever. The jails are for the vicious, asylums for the indigent and infirm. If the Negroes of Elwood are molested in their statutory rights, they should appeal to the courts and proper officials. If they fail to act, we will lodge the responsibility. Negroes can abide the time waiting for the evolution of the race in attaining the higher walks of life, but there must be exhibited no patience at any attempt to usurp their very abiding places.

REV. T. W. HENDERSON, D. D.

Rev. T. W. Henderson, D. D., formerly pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, of this city, but now of the A. M. E. publishing house, Philadelphia, was in the city last week circulating among his friends and former congregation. On Sunday morning he occupied the pulpit of that very beautiful structure reared under his administration. He was very warmly received by his former flock, which did everything to make him feel at home. His voice had its old time fire, and the sermon was punctuated with fervid responses by the audience. In the evening he appeared at Allen Chapel, where the excellent Rev. Abraham L. Murray holds forth. He spoke by special request to the proprietors, editors and reporters of the colored newspapers. As a newspaper man, he was "fresh" on the subject. He said in the onset, that the public man, no matter what be his profession, makes a mistake when he fails to put himself in touch with the newspapers. He spoke at length of the great rush and push incident to the make-up of the great papers of the country. Hurrying and scurying to get news seems the bent and trend of the papers that get on in the world. He spoke of an incident that related to the late Bishop Embry, as indicative of the energy displayed by those of the craft. He said he was aroused in the middle of the night before the morning of the demise of the bishop, by a white reporter, insisting on a cut and a biographical sketch of the late bishop. Dr. Henderson insisted that the bishop was not yet dead, but the reporter insisted that there might be an emergency. The race knows the sad intelligence wafted across the country the very next morning—this paper contained a full account. He spoke of the hardships incident to race journalism. He insisted that the race is daily being driven to the support of their own productions, doctors, lawyers and professional men of all classes. The doctor handled the subject in a masterly way. The audience were made to see the real necessity of Negro journalism. He spoke of the Recorder incidently, telling of the vast strides it had made in the past year or so. He had the pleasure of meeting The Freeman where he could find no other paper, when traveling in Florida. The city, the church and the newspaper men feel very kindly towards the doctor, who has such a knack for getting on in the world, and at the same time sacrificing nothing that would mar his christian standing or his manhood.

QUINTIN BANDERAS.

The Cuban Negroes, under the great Cuban Negro leader, are as usual proving their loyalty to their homes and country. Quintin Banderas, second only to Maceo, that matchless leader, is creating consternation in the ranks of the Spaniards by his brilliant moves and his daring intrepidity. In haranguing his army, he insisted that the colored Cuban should be by his side. "It will henceforth never be possible to say that the colored race of Cuba helped to clinch the manacles of tyranny on their own brothers."

THE EX-SLAVE PENSION FRAUD.

The Freeman has time and time again railed against that gigantic scheme that is slowly incubating in the South, which purports for its object the pensioning of the former slaves as some kind of remuneration for having served masters in the past, but seeming to no purpose. The fraud will not down, and the statement that the American people likes to be humbugged, is not so much out of the way as is generally supposed. The statement applies more strictly to these people. But there enters into this belief, bordering on fanaticism, another element that is not generally recognized. Hereditary disposition plays a conspicuous part in the strange infatuation that is being worked up to such an alarming stage. It is fair to assume that these people do not really hope to see their apparent expectation realized. It is an inherited principle of hope, the legacy of the dark days when the total fuel of the Negro's soul was hope, hope, hope. The North star, Canada and freedom were talismanic words, which to the great bulk of the race was synonymous with hope. It is true that thousands did more than hug delusions; they ran the gauntlet of blood hounds, the deadly rifle shot and every conceivable impediment until hope was realized. Again, there were thousands who perished in the attempt, perhaps singing:

"I can but perish if I try."

But the great bulk of the race simply hoped until it became a panacea for their ill fortunes. They nursed it, fanned it, hugged it and finally bequeathed it to the generations that followed. If we are to believe in hereditary dispositions, and it now is an established principle in psychology, it will not be difficult to see that this hoping, dependence is an inherited quality. The craving is vague, often visionary and airy, for which the soul gropes as a plant for the light. It is the result of the effect of mind over matter, as is evidenced in the reproduction of the race under favorable circumstances. We do not mean to be uncharitable when we say it is a mild form of lunacy or monomaniaism which really is more comforting and sustaining to the possessor than otherwise. It is that slow fuel to the soul that keeps it at a mild glow, which without it there would set in moral degeneracy from which the race is unusually free when circumstances are considered. By unusually free, it is meant that the tyranical heel of oppression has not spurred the race to commit excessive depredations. The anarchistical torch has not been applied, the socialistic bomb has not been thrown, nor has the nihilistic plot been unearthed. Other nations who deal with their lowly are put to their wits ends to keep them in proper bounds. This inbred principle of hope is a formidable ailment of race sustenance. It is criminal to screw this credulity up to the pitch of real expectancy as it seems is being done in this case. It should brood along—a race of ruminants. It will be born in mind that in the the back districts of the far South there is a dense population of Negroes and dense ignorance yet prevails. It is these that are being played upon by the wiley schemers. As we have said on other times, it is but a few years until the light penetrates the further most regions. It seems to us that the better advice would be to allow the fires of the hopes of those who yet suffer the contact of slavery, to burn low. The hope that was entertained of ultimate freedom was a sustaining fire and proper dream—an art preservative; but now there is no need of special consideration of wholesale relief for other than rights denied that the nation guarantees to every citizen. It is far wiser to allow the slumbering passion to die with the possessor. The on coming race can not afford to be burdened with credulity, the bequeathment of dependency and the wardship idea. This country is not to be further inflamed by the result of that cruel period. "Let the dead past bury the dead." The pension list with its teeming millions already chafes those of the lost cause. This new hobby if ridden to the front ranks of affairs will be the oriflamme of increased hates and outrages, and all without a compensatory consideration.

MRS. LUCY THURMAN.

Mrs. Lucy Thurman, the world wide known temperance advocate and lecturer, was at Bethel A. M. E church Sunday afternoon. She was here under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., that splendid organization of women that has for its mission the abolition of the rum traffic in this country. In her introductory remarks she paid a tribute of praise to Rev. D. A. Graham, the pastor of Bethel, for the manly stand he had taken against the evil in other days and elsewhere. She described very vividly in picturesque language her visit to London, "the capital of the world," where she attended the great meeting of this organization in the magnificent Prince Albert hall, of that city. "You can imagine the size of this immense building," says she "when you know that ten thousand persons could be held between its walls." She says that as vast as this structure with its accommodations for ten thousand people, yet every seat was sold within three weeks of this conference. She pictured to the audience the arrival of Lady Sommerset and Miss Willard. Coming down the aisle arm in arm, she says they were given that beautiful chautauquan salute—ten thousand and more white handkerchiefs waving in the air was a scene that mortals do not behold more than once in a life time. Mrs. Thurman is one of the most accomplished woman of the race. As an orator she can have but few equals in any race. Her stage appearance is fine and impressive. Her delivery is apt and graceful, in total keeping with the thought. She seems to be perfectly at ease in her selection of choice words and phrases in which to express herself. Mrs. Thurman has done much to set in motion the sleeping forces against the iniquitous system of intemperance. She has also set an inspiring lesson to the young in the art of using the language beautifully, correctly and artistically. This, although foreign to the subject, is of no small moment when it is known that all aspirations of our women in this peculiar field seems at low ebb. This city needs a Mrs. Thurman to pass through very often to give momentum to the two great lessons she sets forth—the denunciation of the rum traffic and the beauty, the purity and the forcefulness of the English language.

TRIAL by jury is the best test of a free people.

A RIGHT to exist is a God given privilege which the people of Elwood, Ind., had nothing to do with.

IN view of the many lynchings, the Afro-American, of Baltimore, calls on Him who made the high heavens, for help. In the gods of battle trust.

SAM JONES says that when the despoiler desecrates his home, he will see to him individually. He does not care for a cowardly set called a mob.

PENSIONS are not too good for Negroes who have worn themselves useless in the service of others. But there is no use of building up false hopes No one is thinking seriously about the matter.

THE Southern Age says that it perforce is growing pessimistic. It feels that the chances for Negroes of the South engaging in industrial pursuits, are gradually closing. It has quite approached Bishop Turner in theory: "Sell out and go to Africa."

DR. SUMNER FURNISS wants it known that he was for Dr. Elbert sticking to to the Bahian Consulship appoinement first and last. The Freeman stated otherwise last week. We make this correction freely, and especially if it puts the doctor in a better light.

THE National Anti-Mob and Lynch association is well under way. The officers of the association are receiving very much encouragement. They have received a letter from the very eminent Arch Bishop of Canterbury, Eng. He insists that the agitation should be kept up, that has for its object trial by jury, fair and impartial Governor O. Ferall, of Virginia, promises to do all he can against the evil in his state.

Where to Secure a Position.

The attention of our readers is especially called to the advertisement of the M. V. Lynk Publishing House, Jackson, Tenn, which occurs elsewhere in this issue. They wish to employ reliable persons of both sexes to sell the popular book, "The Afro American School Speaker and Gems of Literature," which is said to have gone through six editions in as many months They promise to give from $35 to $75 per month pay every Saturday night to reliable persons. We advise all who wish a good paying position to write them immediately.

THE NEWSBOY'S DREAM.

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The American newsboy can almost be said to have created a genus for himself. If he has any, he has certainly created it, for of all the inhabitants of this planet there is none who is so absolutely independent, so thoroughly confident of his own exertions. He has a self importance, derived from his ability to support or partially support himself, which places him high above the rank of the ordinary gamin, and he generally possesses what is far more important in any community—ready money. He is the capitalist of our junior civilization, the Count Esterhazy of newsboys' alley. He can play craps for money when other boys are constrained to pursue this delectable amusement with only the milder if more intellectual pleasure of studying the fluctuations of fortune, or, at most, hazarding cigarette pictures.

He may swear a little more than is necessary, but in general is not half bad. His train of thought is usually healthy and vigorous and has a robustness born of the outer air in which he spends so much of his time. Physically he is agile and almost tireless. While apparently reckless in most things, he is, on the whole, careful of his health—he is scarcely ever known to smoke a whole cigarette at a time. His intellect is as keen as a razor. He keeps it continually honed on the strop of experience. Everything carries for him a lesson. From the sale of the largest Sunday paper to that of the most unpretentious weekly there is nothing he does not profit by.

He is a born statist, a self educated strategist. He has the nice art of going far enough and yet never overstepping himself. On the eve of such an occasion he will vociferate, "All about the election," but don't ever expect of whom until you buy the paper. Pleasure and other things occupy a fair proportion of his time, but with him the distribution of news is always uppermost. It even permeates his sleeping hours. One of them was heard to remark between sales to another a day or so ago, "Say, Jim, I had de finest dream I ever had 'las' night."

"Was it about angels?" inquired Jim.

"Naw," was the contemptuous response. "I dreampt dat der was a awful smashup, six fires, four double murders an tree suicides, all in one day."—Chicago Times-Herald.

THE FAMOUS GIN LAW.

How It Was Received and Evaded by the English Public.

This famous "gin law," passed in 1736, is interesting as the earliest severe blow at liquor dealing among civilized nations. It levied a tax of 20s. a gallon on spirits, and a license of £50 for any one selling or dealing in them. And, being in advance of public opinion, it failed, much as other more stringent prohibition laws have failed in our own day. For the cry was at once raised that it taxed the poor man's gin and let the rich man's wine go free. Every wit, every caricaturist, had his fling at it. Ballads were hawked around telling of the approaching death of Mother Gin. The liquor shops were hung with black and celebrated uproariously Mme. Geneva's lying in state, her funeral, her wake and so on. The night before the law went into effect, so the contemporary journals say, there was a universal revel all over the country. Every one drank his fill and carried home as much gin besides as he could pay for.

To evade the law apothecaries sold it in vials and small packages, sometimes colored and disguised, generally under false labels, such as "Colic Water," "Make Shift," "Ladies' Delight." There were printed directions on some of these packages—e. g., "Take two or three spoonfuls three or four times a day, or as often as the fit takes you." Informers were very prominent and exceedingly offensive, inventing snares to catch lawbreakers for the sake of the heavy rewards, and spying and sneaking around in a way particularly distasteful to the English mind. In consequence they suffered in their turn. The mere cry, "Liquor spy!" was enough to raise a mob in the London streets, and the informer was lucky if he escaped with a sound thrashing and a ducking in the Thames or the nearest horse pond. Indeed, such an outcry was made about the matter that the ministry became very unpopular, and the law was not enforced after two or three years, and was largely modified in 1743, after seven years' trial.—Popular Science Monthly.

A Curious and Rare Book.

The most curious as well as one of the rarest books known to collectors is the edition of the Vulgate issued by Pope Sixtus V, some time between 1585 and 1590. The book, as Disraeli describes it, "fairly swarmed with errata." So numerous were they that a number of printed paper slips containing the proper words were pasted over the blunders, and this device proving ineffectual on account of the immense number of mistakes, as many of the copies as could be found were called in and destroyed. Only a few remain, and the book with its paper patches commands an extremely high price.

Chalk.

All chalk is composed of fossils. If you take the tiniest bit and place it under a powerful microscope, you will see an infinite number of extremely diminutive shells, and no spectacle on a large scale is more beautiful than the varied forms of these tiny homes of animal life, which are disclosed by powerful glasses.

A Help.

Scientific Mamma—Do not dance all the evening, dear. Remember that the dances of an average ball cover a total distance of nine miles.

Practical Daughter—Oh, but a girl is carried most of the way, mamma!—Larks.

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As the swift years steal away.
Beautiful, willowy forms so slim
Lose fairness with every day.
But she still is queen and hath charms to spare
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Brookshire Notes.

Brookshire, Tex., Special.

Jim Light, a colored bar-tender was indicted here for assault with attempt to murder. Deputy Sheriff Lenn Waller went out on a farm where Light's father lived to arrest Jim, taking with him Joe McCoy to assist him. Jim ran off and was shot to death by Joe McCoy. From all appearances Deputy Waller is exonerated from any blame in the unhappy occurrence. The cotton crop is very good in this section in spite of the drouth. The colored people in Beats 4 and 5 are going land-crazy. Probably more than fifty families will leave next fall in search of cheap land. We are informed that a Negro was lynched in Bellville a few nights ago. The same old story—rape. A. G. Orndoff is still on the sick list. J. Cole has returned from his trip to Galveston Bay and reports an excellent time. A good many of our people are opening their eyes to the importance of patronizing the industries of our race. In the near future Negro gin and mill owners will gin our cotton, grind our corn and saw our lumber; we shall own our homes and buy for cash, lynch law and the credit system will be abolished, white men will no longer blacken their faces and outrage white women and lay it on to some inoffensive defenceles Negro; white papers of the Sunny South will no more condone the same crime committed by the white brute, and in the next column attempt to arouse hatred, stimulate prejudice and provoke strife between the two races on account of the crime of the black brute. There is an element of white people in the South with whom the Negro has been identified by contact and association for more than two and three quarter centuries; that element of white people constitute the Negro's bulwark of protection in the South. There is another element here whose hand Ishmael-like, is against everybody in general and against the Negro in particular. Among that class mobocracy had its birth, and seventy-five per cent of every mob is composed of that element. We believe that every man who outrages a woman, let him be white or black, let her be black or white, should be hanged for the offense, but we also think it would reflect much more credit upon the people of the community and upon the county and the state for it to be done by due process of law. We are truly having a very hard time as a race here in the South, but individually one can scarcely read discontentment in the face of the average Southern Negro. We are hopeful of better things a little further on.

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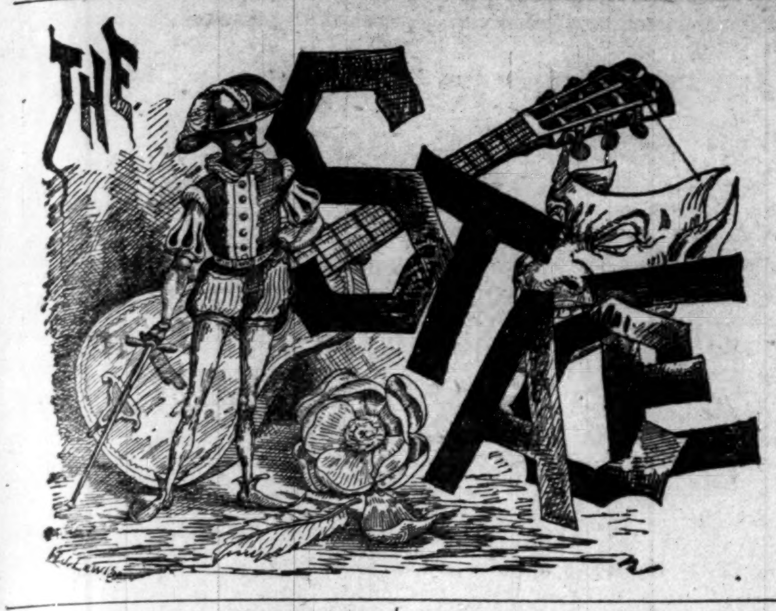

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The "Black Patti Troubadours" are playing to big business.

Will A. Cooke, an old Indianapolis boy, is with Gorman's Alabama Troubadours.

The Vania-Corbon Concert Company are booked to appear at Indianapolis, September 2, and 8.

Mahara's Mammoth Minstrels is again headed by the famous sweet singing comedian, Billy Young.

Black Carl, the clever young magician never fails to mystify his audience. He is with "Darkest America."

The Clay-Gist "Hoosier Stars," appeared to a large and appreciative audience at Cincinnati, last week.

It is rumored that Sam T. Jack's Creoles will not open their season before the latter part of September.

Lew Johnson's "Uncle Tom Cabin" company is meeting with much success through California. They will appear at Eureka Sept. 5-6.

Miss Sallie Lee, of Columbus, O., and Lillie Woods, of Chicago, are a great hit as the Broadway Belles, in the third act of "Darkest America.".

A. B. Carter, the "Frog and Snake Man," is at liberty to join first-class comedy or minstrel company. He can be addressed: A. B. Carter, 1026 Center street, Bowling Green, Ky.

The old reliable drama, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" under the management of Lew Johnson, was presented at Trinidad, Cal., Sept. 3, to a well filled house. The company is a large one, and carries all its special scenery.

McAdoo's American Minstrels and Vaudeville Co., now in Cape Town, W. Africa, comprises the following people: Orpheus M. McAdoo, proprietor; Geo. H. Clother, business manager; Prof. C. A. White, musical director; Louis Love stage manager; M. Hamilton Hodges, Joe Jalvan, Willard Smith, Jerry Mills, Will H. Thompson, Madeline Shirley, William Deitz, R H. Collins; America's Black Melba, Miss Susie B. Anderson; and Mme. Mattie Allen McAdoo.

Mahara's Mammoth Minstrels opened at Joliet, Ill., August 12, and is one of the largest colored minstrel organizations on the road, comprising fifty people. With a grand street parade daily at noon, consisting of gorgeous costumes, four mounted trumpeters, and two bands They are playing to fine business. They are booked to appear at the following places: Chicago, Sept. 5; Louisville, Ky., week of Oct. 9; Lexington, the home of Billy Young, Oct. 11-12; New Albany, Ind., Oct. 14; Evansville, Oct. 19-20; Nashville, Tenn. Oct. 25-26 27; Memphis, Oct. 28-29-30; Kansas City, Nov. 10-11-12.

John W. Vogel's new and magnificent production. "Darkest America," is now far superior to any previous presentation. There are fifty genuine southern Negroes, including the best band and orchestra on the road. The performance is brimful of everything to keep one amused. There is buck and wing dancers, campmeeting shouters, numerous acts and elegant choruses. During the third act the following high class specialties are introduced: Misses Lee and Woods, Broadway Belles; Capital City Quartette; Billy Miller with a cargo of new jokes; that Alabama favorite, John Rucker, whose mouth, it is said, can give Billy Kersand's cards and spades, is now at his best. Rucker is a genuine Alabama blossom, black as night, and just such a fellow as one would care to have to drive dull cares away. Hampton and Johnson in a clever musical turn, playing on different instruments. Eddie Winn is one of the best descriptive vocalists on the stage. Moore and Kirk do a clever knock-about act. Black Carl mystifies the large audiences with his feats of magic. Lawrence Chenault the favorite tenor, sings a magnificent solo in the last act. "Darkest America" better than ever before, is giving the very best satisfaction.

Interesting Notes.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Prof. J. N. Ruffin, of this city, has departed for New York City, enroute te Assincion, Paraguay, to assume the duties of U. S. Consul. He is a rare young man, having attained a collegiate education though hindered much by adversity and having successfully won the admiration of many of the oldest and best politicians in West Tennessee. Besides being a talented scholar, he is eminently qualified for his post. We wish him success. Lawyer and Mrs. Avant passed through the city on the 23, ult. enroute to Helena, Ark, where they will teach this fall.

Dr. W. C. B. Mason, secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational society will preach at Centenary M. E. church on the night of September 7th. The Old Folk's and Orphan's Home association have paid for their ground. The District Conference of the M. E. church met at Mason, Tenn., on the 25th ult. Elder H. W. Key, presiding. The Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas delegations of the U. B. of F., and S. M. T., passed through our city enroute to their National Grand Session at Nashville. They were joined by a large delegation from Memphis. The Freeman's position against mob rule and lynching is most heartily endorsed by the Negro citizens of Memphis. We regard The Freeman as a mighty weapon in the Negro's struggle for fair play. Rev. McClellan, a former student of Fisk University, is the new pastor of the Second Congregational Church of this city.

ONE OF TWO WAYS.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease exeept by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

CHIEF CAUSE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kidneys is the chief cause of bladder troubles. So the womb, like the bladder, was created for one purpose, and if not doctored too much is not liable to weakness or disease, except in rare cases. It is situated back of and very close to the bladder, therefore any pain, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort. The error is easily made and may be as easily avoided. To find out correctly, set your urine aside for twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates kidney or bladder trouble. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, and bladder remedy is soon realized. If you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggists fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail. Mention The Freeman and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuneness of this offer.

Muncie Items.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

Rev. White left for conference Monday morning. Mrs. White will visit in Indianapolis for a few weeks. Miss Susan Poindexter left Monday for Indianapolis where she will visit Miss Sadie Boyer for a few days. She will attend conference at Terre Haute. Mrs. Vada Burnham left Saturday for Washington to reside. Mrs. Alice Moxley and daughter Hazel of Bellefontaine, O., are guests of Mrs. Elder Robbins, 702 East Jackson street. Lazarus Fletcher is very ill at his home in East First street. Charles Shoecraft who has been visiting his grandfather left Tuesday for Chicago. Mrs. Eliza Moore died and was buried from the A. M. E. church the 26th. The Chapter had charge of the remains. Quite a number of sorrowing friends followed the remains to their last resting place in Beech Grove Cemetery. Miss Narcissa Newton of Springfield, O., is the guest of Miss Musetta McCray of North Jefferson street. Mrs. Green, wife of the minister of the Second Baptist church, is visiting Mrs. Beckwith at Indianapolis. John Carter is visiting his parents at Shelbyville. Herman Frazier is sick at his home in West Main street. Miss Sarah Sims of Indianapolis is visiting her brother in East Washington street.

INDIANA'S STATE FAIR

Will Surpass All Previous Indiana Fairs in Point of Exhibits and Attractions—Program for the Week

Indiana's State Fair September 13 to 18, promises this year to surpass all previous Indiana fairs in point of exhibits and attractions. The exhibits or agricultural machinery and mechanical devices such as interest the farmer folk, have always been large at the Indiana fairs. The exhibits of live stock and of agricultural, horticultural and all farm products have been large and the competition for the premiums offered for the best showings have been great, but Indianapolis people have grown tired of these since the city has developed into such a thriving manufacturing center, and has so largely increased in population. The members of the State Board of Agriculture, under the province of the law creating the board, are now endeavoring to cater to all classes of people. The merchants of the city in the past few years since the board has secured the present large Fair grounds were lukewarm in their support of the enterprise, but this year there has been a uniting of forces. The Board of Agriculture is working hand in hand with a co-operative committee of the merchants and manufacturers, city's commercial bodies and the press, to interest Indianapolis people in the Fair, and not only these, but the merchants and the farmers of the State generally.

The race going public will have an opportunity to see a great match race. In addition to this the regular programme of racing events for each day contains three races. In addition to the exhibits and attractions common to all special fairs program have been arranged for four days of the week. Each day will have a special significance. Tuesday is children's and old soldier's day. All children under fifteen years of age will be admitted to the grounds free and the old soldiers will also be granted free admission. There will be exhibitions of heavy horses, dairy cattle, sheep and swine in the rings and pavillions set aside for these purposes, and the grand stand programme will consist of a concert by the Indianapolis Military Band and by the Indianapolis Boys' Brigade Band.

Wednesday is designated as Indianapolis day. It is proposed to give the star attraction of the fair on this day in the Joe Patchen-Star Pointer race to beat two minutes. The state board has hung up a purse of $3,000 for these kings of the pacing world. It will be a battle royal for supremacy. Mr. Murphy, the owner of Star Pointer, said when the negotiations were completed for the match race on the world-famed Indianapolis track, that it was his opinion that it was here that the best record either horse could ever make would be secured. He is well acquainted with the fast soil of which the Indianapolis track is made, and, like many others, he believes that, with the weather conditions right, the great course is the one that will bear the honor of the century.

The grand stand programme, in addition to the "race of the century," will consist of an exhibition of saddle stallions, saddle mares, saddle geldings, two-horse and two-seated equipages, one-horse and one-seated equipages for ladies, one-horse and one-seated equipages for gentlemen and vehicles for children, limited to the residents of Indianapolis. Prizes will be given for the best equestrienne, best equestrian, most artistic equipage, best four-in-hand mounted tallyho and most novel and artistic advertising wagon. There will be, in addition to all of this, exhibitions of coach horses, beef cattle, sheep and swine, and of cut flowers in the different rings and pavillions provided.

Thursday is to be Governor's day. Governor Mount will review the troops of the Indiana National Guard. He will be attended by his full staff. The Governor will also deliver an address. The Indianapolis Light Artillery will reproduce the United States championship artillery drill, under command of Capt. J. B. Curtis.

Friday—military day—will witness contests between infantry companies in competitive drill. Five hundred dollars will be distributed in prizes.

The officers of the state board are more than pleased with the action of the railroad companies in granting rates. On several days even better rates than one fare for the round trip will be granted by many roads. Special trains are to be run, and on these the fare will be under the regular rate granted. The Star Pointer-Joe Patchen race will attract thousands from over the state, and hundreds will come to see the great pacers from other states, knowing what can be expected from the Indianapolis track.

If the work of the sub-committee of the commercial bodies, press and state board are as successful in the next few days as in the past few it has been out, all Indianapolis will have a half holiday on Wednesday, Sept. 18, when Patchen and Pointer start. Promises have been already received from merchants and manufacturers to close. It is expected that the attendance on this one great day will exceed in point of number the attendance of any previous week the fair heretofore has ever known. The street car service to the grounds will be vastly improved. The tracks have been re-laid as to carry passengers within the enclosure and within 150 feet of the entrance of the grand stand, as well as close to every department building on the grounds.

Personal Mention.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

Ralph, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon, died suddenly at his home in Kalamazoo avenue. Miss Carrie Archer is in the city for a short stay. Mrs. A. E. Hackley of Chicago has come for an indefinite stay with relatives and friends. She will go from here to Detroit and Benton Harbor. Miss Bessie Hackley and Tom Woodford were married Tuesday evening. Miss Mable Battles of Detroit is in the city.

In the Business World.

Guthrie, O. T., Special.

Among the business men here is W. H. Smith. He carries a large and handsome stock of assorted goods. H. York is a hustler and carries a light stock. Miss Taylor, who is showing what it is possible to do, carries a neat stock of assorted goods. Among the leaders in the restaurant business is A. French. He has a well kept restaurant at the Silver Moon, the Arkansas, the Harris house and one other run by Mr. Rector are all well up-to-date.

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and B. & O. S. W. Railways and Big Four Route have been instructed to refush to accept mileage tickets of the Columbus, Hocking Valley and Sandusky Railway after June 9th.

Lost Relative.

George Thompson, colored, who was married to Mary Kane or Cain, or his heirs, if he is dead, has an estate awaiting him. His mother-in-law, who resides in Philadelphia, writes that the last she heard of him he was in Louisiana. Address J. S. Rakerd, Annie Thomas' estate Lewistown, Pa.

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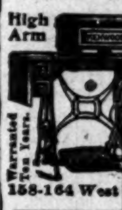

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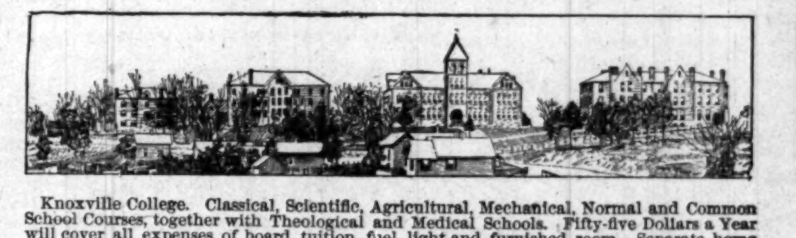

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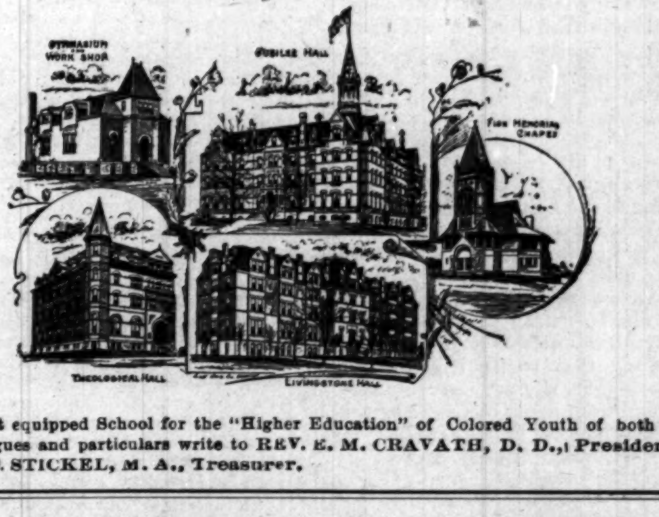

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"A slight noise startled my horse, and I leaned out of the buggy to look into the chamber of a revolver. At the same time I saw two figures, one on each side of me, and, checking my horse, I tried to assume a bravado I was far from feeling as I asked:

"'Well, gentlemen, what is your will with me?'

"You can imagine my surprise when a boyish voice asked:

"'Kin you shave yourself?'

"I answered that I always shaved myself. Without lowering his revolver he looked across me to his pal on the other side.

"'He uns will do, Jim. Hop in an I'll lead the horse.'

"Having made up my mind not to be dragged off in any such ignominious manner, I said:

"'If you are going to shoot me, I suppose I must give up my life, as I am unarmed. If it is money you want, I'"—

"'Tell him, Jim,' said the one who was leading my horse.

"'Yer won't be killed nor robbed nor nothin, if yer don't try ter give us the slip. Shet your mouth now, mister, an you'll know more right soon.'

"We must have gone a mile before we came to a turn in the road that brought us out in front of a cabin much larger than any I had seen that day in my travel. A woman stood at the door crying.

"'Hev yer foun somebody, boys?' she asked anxiously.

"'Yep, merm, an he'll do the job up slick 'thout askin much pay.'

"I wondered if I was to be compelled to murder some one. The boys were beardless mountain loafers—I had met their type often, but I never knew them to be desperadoes.

"I was shown into the cabin by the woman, one of the boys following with the revolver, while the other waited to fasten the horse to a scrub oak. I saw a figure stretched on a settle, and the idea flashed into my mind that I was mistaken for a doctor.

"'I am not a medical man,' I began to explain, when the woman cut me short.

"'You uns 'ud a been tew late ef you uns was a doctor. He passed outen afore daylight, an it's 'nother kind of job we wanter hev done. Yer see, we uns is a goin tew hev the biggest fun'rel evah was in these yeah pahts, an we wanter hev the ole man shaved foh the fust time, an there ain't a man nowhere aroun as shaves hisself or ennybody else.'

"The revulsion of feeling which came over me was not altogether pleasurable, for I did not fancy the idea of playing barber to a dead man, but when I looked at the cadaverous countenance and tangled gray beard of the deceased I felt a sort of professional pride in making him look more like a mortal being and less like a wolf. I had always been an abstainer from strong drink, but I filled up on crude spirits that would have killed me on an ordinary occasion and tackled my silent customer with a feverish and hysterical alacrity. This was in part due to the close proximity of the two boys and their revolvers. But as soon as I had the old mountaineer shaved the revolvers were laid aside and I was treated with the utmost hospitality. The work itself had not been half as gruesome as I had imagined, and I had to fight a ludicrous temptation to pour barber talk into the deaf ears. He was such an improvement over himself when alive—as I judged by the family lingo—that I wanted to ask him to look in a mirror. I declined the fee tendered me by the boy Jim, and, supplied with a jug of moonshine whisky, I was set in the right road and permitted to leave.

"I found it true that in all that community not a man had ever been shaved, and it was only in deference to a whim of the old mountaineer, expressed on his deathbed, that he was made such a curious exception. I did not mention my part in the transaction until I was far beyond that county line, for I was not sure that, a precedent being set, they might not again demand my services, and another salesman has that route."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Old Leprosy Laws.

In the earliest code of British laws now extant—namely, that of Hoel Dha, a famous king of Cambria (the present Wales), who died about the year 950 A. D.—we find a canon enacting in plain and unmistakable terms that any married woman whose husband was afflicted with leprosy was entitled not only to separation, but also to the restitution of her goods.

The largest electric sign in New England, that on the Washington street facade of the New Grand theater, Boston, is composed of 1,000 incandescent lamps of 32 candle power each, and the letters which they make are four feet high. It took four men a month to make the sign, and it cost the company that erected it about $5,000.

A Noble Work.

From the Omaha Christian Advocate.

There is no one in Omaha or vicinity who has not heard of Mr. N. J. Smith, founder of Rescue Home. He has for a number of years, devoted a large share of his time to the work of rescuing the fallen, furnishing aid to those in distress and helping in every way possible those in trouble. He has been in poor health for several years, but all will be pleased to learn that his health is now much better and he is able to take active charge of the mission work, to which he now devotes his entire time.

On January 1st, 1897, he writes as follows: "I have been troubled for several years with a bad cough. I had lung chills and slight hemorrhage of the lungs and was threatened with consumption. My mother and two sisters have died with consumption, I expected the same fate; but I tried Dr. Kay's Lung Balm, prepared by Dr. B. J. Kay Medical Co., Omaha, Neb., and two 25c boxes have entirely cured me of my cough and soreness of my lungs. That tired, sleepy and drowsy feeling is all gone and my appetite is now good. I feel well and full of life. I can work night and day and do not feel tired. Praise the Lord for the helpit has given me. I write this hoping if any read it who are similarly afflicted and have been unable to get help from any other sources that they will try this excellent remedy, which I believe to be the best cough medicine o which I have any knowledge."

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Lost Relative.

Rev. G. A. Thomas (colored) who is a resident of Lake Providence, Lousiana, and who is the husband of Mrs, Nancy Thomas and the pastor of the Center Baptist church, left his home December 22 last enroute to Bryan, Texas, for the purpose of visiting relatives and look after matters pertaining to real estate. He told his wife and members that he would return within six or eight weeks but he has not returned. He wrote home last from Houston, Texas about the middle of April and said in his letter that he was in the act of leaving Houston for Bryan. Any information leading to his where-abouts will be thankfully received. Address, Mrs. Nancy Thomas, Lake Providence, La.

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In a recent letter he says: "Many winters have I coughed all winter long. Twice have I been compelled to rest from my ministerial duties, for a period of several years. When I took cold in winter the coughing would be intense. Last fall I took cold about the 15th of October, and was sick with it for about a week and began what I supposed was a winter of coughing. My wife called my attention to Dr. Kay's Lung Balm, and after much persuasion on her part, and a free expression (of a not flattering character) about patent medicines, on my part. I concluded to try the Lung Balm. I felt at once that it touched a place in my malady that nothing else had ever done. I began to improve. I used about 5 boxes and can now preach without coughing. I keep it by me and if I take cold I use it. If I have a bronchial irritation after preaching I take Dr. Kay's Lung Balm. I can cheerfully say that the Lung Balm has been a great help to me. It has no bad effect upon the stomach. Respectfully yours, J. D. De Tar, Pastor M. E. Church, Spring Hill, Iowa, Des Moines Conference." Sold by H. C. Pomeroy opp. post office.

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Great Words of a Great Man of Manchester, England, to Prof. W. H. Councill.

Dr. Charles Leach, of Manchester, Eng., has written the following eloquent and wise words to Prof. Councill, who was his guest during the professor's visit to England in 1895. Prof. Councill spoke three times in Dr. Leach's church in London.

Dr. Leach is a broad, cultured, liberal man, being the author of many excellent books widely read in England and on the Continent. He has charge of one of the largest and best Congregational Churches in England—the one the great Dr. Parker had when called to London. Dr. Leach is a great friend to the Negro, and it was he who was to have entertained the American Association of Colored Youth in '95. The degree of D. D. was conferred upon him by Wesleyan College some years ago. Read the following letter:

MY DEAR MR. COUNCILL: I am very grateful to you for the book on "Race Knowledge" which you have sent to me. I am also much gratified by the kind and welcome sentiment you have written on white page. I most heartily appreciate the same. Your name is fragrant in this home, and you yourself will be as welcome as the May flower whenever you like to come. Our home is yours as long as you can dwell in it during your next visit to England.

I have spent the morning in looking through your book. Your words which it contains we have all read. You have a gift of elcquence which should be of great service in efforts to inspire and lead your people.

Will you forgive me, a white man and a very white one, if I venture to write down a few broken sentences which convey some of the ideas I have respecting your race, and which I should like to speak to your people with such illustration and enlargement as might be suitable?

It seems to me that the Negro race now is much in the position of the Hebrews who came from Egyptian bondage. Moses led the people out of slavery. But they were not then fit for the larger freedom and distinction which was to be theirs later. So they were kept for forty years in the wilderness. That was their school. In it they were made, educated, trained, drilled, disciplined and made ready for the larger life to which they came. As the period of waiting and schooling drew toward a close there was much movement among them. And at length they went forth a trained, a disciplined, a formidable army. Crossing the Jordan, they soon ate the old corn of the land—that is, shared its good things, entered upon city life and took their place among the surviving races.

So with the Negro in the States. Emancipation came. God willed it, man could not hinder it. But the slaves knew not yet the value, the worth, the power, the glory of freedom. And a the ancient Hebrews cried for the fleshpots of Egypt, knowing nothing better, so the Negro in his helplessness and ignorance knew nothing better. But one in a thousand could read.

But that good God, who loves the black man just as he does the white man, and who has predestinated a great future for the black man, sent teachers, leaders, helpers. The period of discipline, drilling, training, testing, began. The forty years are well-nigh gone. There is now action, life, movement. There is a sound of a going in the tops of the "mulberry trees." Heralds of the dawn are seen. Signs of day-break are before us and already the heavens are showing signs of a glorious sunrise, and an increasingly glorious age for the Negro race of America, which is to lead and save the Negro race of the world. But there are some things which your leaders must by all means in ther power instill into your people.

The sword can free a race from slavery, but only character can save it from extinction. Next to a firm reliance upon God's providence and help, the Negro race must look to the Negro race for elevation and salvation.

Any race which God means to survive will always produce men and women enough to instruct it, lead it, enoble it. When I see what an army of prophets, teachers, leaders and organizers have sprung up out of the Negro race in thirty-three years, beginning with the soil withered, wasted and crushed as the blighting influence of slavery left it, I say God has given this people grit, and power, and life. I do not know another such marvelous case in the whole history of the world.

You must teach your people the dignity of labor. Idleness is a sin against God. Work of all kinds which is for the good of man is for the glory of God. Old Father Adam was to dress the garden, Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain was a tiller of the ground.

In order that they may do good work, intelligent, joy-giving work, they must be educated. In education lies one of your golden paths to dignity and greatness. It is in the school-rooms—the school-rooms of all your educational institutions, both the highest and lowest—that you must begin building the noble edifice of the transformed and glorified colored race.

Of course, all your education will have God in it. I need hardly say this to the Negro. He is essentially religious. His religion in the days of his slavery was his solace.

You must teach your people, too, to keep as a sacred treasure the honor and purity of all its women. If this be estimated at a low value it will mean that the sanctity of the home and the pure joy of motherhood will be weakened and the morality of the manhood of the race destroyed.

Do you know of any race that was ever long of much consequence when it had sacrificed the honor of its womanhood? You must, at all cost, keep your women pure. It is to them you must largely look for a generation of better men than the present. "SHE who rocks the cradle rules the world" holds good here. It must be your business to create a sentiment of honor among men in relation to all women, the breach of which will bring upon them the frowns of all good men and pure women.

There are many other things which I might go on to write, such as self-reliance, the qualities of manhood, the duties of the rich among you toward the poor, etc., etc. I must stop, however Some day I may be able to get to the South and see your people's life on the spot. With every good wish, yours truly, CHAS. LEACH.

27 York Place, Manchester, Eng., Aug. 23.

Club Reception.

Chicago, Ill, Special.

The Mistletoe Club entertained a number of strangers at their club parlors last Tuesday, August 17. Those present were as follows: Miss McRobie, of Columbus, O., Miss Brown, of Indianapolis, Miss Nannie B. Hill, of Lexington, Ky., Miss Polk, of Memphis, Miss Flora Smith, of Peoria, Ill., Miss Mamie Jackson, of Louisville, Ky. The entire club was present at the parlors to greet the strangers from various parts of this country. The president delivered an address of welcome.

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To Winona Assembly Grounds, Eagle Lake, (near Warsaw, Ind.,) May 15th to August 31st, for Annual Assembly and Summer School.

To Indianapolis, August 17th and 18th for Y. P. C. U. Annual Convention,

To Indianapolis, September 8th and 9th for National Encampment Sons of Veterans.

The reduced rates over the Pennsylvania Lines will not be restricted to members of the organization mentioned, but may be taken advantage of by the public generally. Excursion tickets may be obtained at ticket offices on the Pennsylvania System and will also be sold over this route by connecting railways. Any Pennsylvania Line ticket or passenger Agent will furnish desired information concerning rates, time of trains, return limit, and other details, to all applicants, or the same may be obtained by addressing Geo. E. Rockwell, District Passenger Agent, Indianapolis. Ind.

That Presidential Train.

There is a great deal of talk going around to the press about the Presidential train to be presented to President McKinley. The latest design is two separate cars, which when fastened together make one extra large car. This idea is the same as the C. H. & D. Ry.. company's "Michigan Flyer," on which the vestibules extend the full width of the car, and when the car is coupled together make one continuous train. Persons along the C. H. & D. Ry., who have not seen the "Michigan Flyer" will do well to inspect this train, as it is one of he handsomest in the West.

To Whom It May Concern.

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SOME ROYAL DOGS.

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Nearly every one of the sovereigns of Europe, it appears, has one or more pet dogs. The collies of Queen Victoria, the fox terriers of Princess Beatrice, with Jock as prime favorite, are known at least by hearsay to everybody.

The emperor of Russia is also a great lover of dogs. A London paper reports that he is always accompanied in his walks by a couple of fine Danish hounds, whose strength and vigilance their master considers his best safeguard. The grave czar is often seen playing with these monster pets. He himself has taught them their tricks, and they are nearly always about him.

The king of Greece shares the czar's taste for the Danish hounds, which are as intelligent as they are strong, and which, with hardly a bark to announce their intentions, will fly at the throat of any one whom their master may point out to them in case of need. When the empress of Austria goes on her long walks or rides, several pet dogs always accompany her. But perhaps the most widely known of all the "royal dogs" of the present day is Black, the pet dog of the Russian Grand Duke Alexis.

Black is a sportsman's dog, of no very aristocratic breed. Indeed, if the truth must be told, he is a member of the race of mongrels which the fishermen in the south of France take out to sea, employing them to recapture any wily fish that may fall through the meshes of their nets or slip suddenly back into its element after it has been once landed on board the barge. Black is still rejoicing in the days of his youth, but his record, not only as a common fisherman but as a "fisher of men," is already great, for he has saved no fewer than six persons from a watery grave.

Some three or four years ago the Grand Duke Alexis was staying at Biarritz. One stormy night he went out on the cliff to get a view of the angry sea. A boat was just being wrecked below, and he saw a dog dashing with angry growls and barks into the water and bringing to land, one by one, three drowning men, while the crowd cheered the brave mongrel to the echo. The grand duke approached to caress the dog, and the animal's master then offered Black to him, refusing to accept any payment.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

CURIOUS INSECT.

A Butterfly That Enjoys Only Five Hours of Life.

It is in August that the naturalists observe the marvelous insect which is born, reproduces and dies in the period of a single night, on the banks of the Marne, of the Seine, and of the Rhine. It is the ephemere of which Sirammerdam has written and which is spoken of in Aristotle.

The life of this insect does not last beyond four or five hours. It dies toward 11 o'clock in the evening, after taking the form of a butterfly about six hours after midday. It is true, however, that before taking this form it has lived three years in that of a worm, which keeps always near the border of water in the holes which it makes in the mud.

The change of this worm in the water to an ephemere which flies is so sudden that one has not the time to see it. If one takes the worm in the water, the hand cannot be taken away before the change is made unless by pressing the worm slightly in the region of the chest. By this means it can be taken from the water before the change takes place.

The ephemere, after leaving the water, seeks a place where it can divest itself of a fine membrane or veil, which entirely covers it. This second change takes place in the air.

The ephemere assists itself with the point of its little nails as firmly as it can. It makes a movement similar to that of a shiver, then the skin on the middle of the back breaks apart, the wings slip out of their sheath, as we sometimes take off our gloves by turning them inside out. After this stripping the ephemere begins to fly. Sometimes it holds itself straight up on the surface of the water on the end of its tail, flapping its wings one against the other. It takes no nourishment in the five or six hours which are the limit of its life. It seems to have been formed but to multiply, for it does not leave its state of a worm until it is ready to deposit its eggs, and it dies as soon as they are deposited.

In three days' time one sees appear and die all species of ephemeres. They last sometimes until the fifth day, for the reason that some malady has affected some of them and prevents them from changing at the same time as the others.—Exchange.

Gold and Silver Gospels.

"The Gold and Silver Gospels" is the name of a very peculiar book now preserved in the Upsala library in Sweden. It is printed with metal type, on violet colored vellum, the letters being silver and the initials gold. When it was printed, by whom or what were the methods employed, are questions which have great interest for the curious, but have never been answered.

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$1.50 for the most beautiful decorated wheel. $1 00 for the oldest couple in the parade; and $1 00 for the youngest couple.

Mrs. Smith, wife of Alonzo Smith, died at her residence in Howard street last Tuesday after a short illness. Funeral services were held at Bethel church Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Smith was a member of the Second Christian church.

The people are all well pleased with the arrangements of the Bicycle Pageantry on the 6th of September.

Hear Rev. S. E. Smith, D. D., of Owensboro, Ky., who seconded the nomination of President McKinley, at the Bicycle Pageantry on Sept. 6.

The office of D. S. C. of K. of Ps., which has been so well attended to by W. L. Montgomery, expired Sept. 1. He did not expect the office again, but upon the urgent request of his many friends, and for the benefit of the order he has acccepted for another term. W. L. is a hustler, and is official on K. of P. matters.

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Peter Wickliffe, an aged and respected citizen, died at his residence in Howard street last Sunday of nephritis. Funeral services were held at the Second Baptist church of which he was a member. Mr. Wickliffe has been an employe of the Bates House since 1865—longer than any one now connected with the hotel. He was noted for his honesty and trustworthiness, which characteristics made him popular both with employer and guests.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Mrs. Green of Muncie is visiting in the city.

Miss Kate A. Mann has returned from Chicago.

Frank Ball is visiting relatives in Harstville, Tenn.

Wm. H. Alexander, wife and baby spent Sunday at Madison.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor of Cincinnati, spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. Watkins and daughter of Muncie are visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. White of Muncie will spend several weeks in the city among friends.

Willis Clark, the Jo-He medicine man, was up from Martinsville this week.

W. H. Fielding of Cincinnati, was in the city last week. He returned home Sunday.

Miss Susanne Poindexter of Muncie was a guest of Miss Sadie Boyer last Monday.

Wm. Breedlove returned Sunday from a week's visit with friends in Cincinnati, O.

Fred Anderson has returned to the city after a pleasant stay in Columbus and Dayton, O.

Frank Peterson has returned from Eagle Lake, where he has been spending the summer.

Mrs. J. L. Thomas of St. Louis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harris, 45 Hiawatha street.

P. W. Barnett left Monday for Terre Haute to represent The Freeman at the A. M. E. conference.

W. T. B. Williams of Millwood, Va., arrived in the city Tuesday. Mr. Williams is the new principal at No. 24 school.

Miss Fanny Rice, formerly of Louisville, will make her home with her aunt, Mrs. Mollie Brown, in West North street.

Mrs. Ida M. Underwood of 2110 Columbia avenue, is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Waterman in Logansport.

Miss Flora Morin, who has been visiting Mrs. Stella Fisher for the last two weeks returned to her home in Muncie Wednesday.

Miss Lucretia Lawson, after a pleasant stay of six weeks in our city, returned to her home in Shelbville, Ky., last Saturday.

Miss Altha Grubbs has returned from Russelville, Ky., where she has been attending the bedside of her sister, Miss Carrie.

Prof. Faustin S. Delaney, en route from Chicago to Wilberforce, was a guest of Miss Mamie Collins in North West street last Saturday.

Drs. T. W. Henderson, D. A. Graham and Rev. L. E. Christy left Tuesday for the A. M. E. conference which convened in Terre Haute this week.

Fred Douglass Lodge No. 7 K. of P. of Irvington will give an entertainment Thursday evening Sept. 9. All Knights of Indianapolis are requested to be present.

H. L. Sanders returned last Sunday from Lexington, Ky., where he and Mrs. Sanders visited relatives and friends. Mrs. Sanders will remain until after the fair.

Miss Lillian V. Jones gave a reception Saturday Aug. 28 from 4 to 8 p. m. in honor of her cousin, Mrs. Chas. F. Sneed of Louisville, who spent last week in the city.

Miss Eva McCullom of Xenia, O., was the guest of Miss Estella Johnson this week. She left to-day for Columbus, Ind., to take charge of her school which opens Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Alexander, of 842 West Pratt street, is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. Joanna Williams of Cincinnati, O., and her sister-in-law, Miss Minnie Alexander of Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. E. E. Cooper, after an enjoyable stay in the city with Mrs. A. H. Henderson returned to her home in Washington, D. C., last Saturday. Mrs. Cooper is a former resident of this city and her many friends thoroughly enjoyed her stay here.

A. Myrtle Harris has returned to the city after spending a very pleasant vacation with her parents and friends in Monmouth, Ill., and Ft. Madison, Ia. While in Peoria she was entertained by Miss Allie Smith and Chas. A. Higgs, a former Indianapolitan.

Mrs. Cyrus Allen of West Second street gave a porch party Tuesday from 11 to 1 o'clock for Mrs. Cora Taylor of California. A large number of ladies were present, and an enjoyable time was had by all. Mrs. Taylor is a sister of Mrs. H. L. Sanders.

Miss Estella Johnson of 1207 East Sixteenth street, gave a reception Friday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Eva J. McCullom of Xenia, O. About seventy-five guests responded to the invitation of the hostess and the evening was pleasantly spent in music and games.

J. C. Ross, Supreme Chancellor of the K. of P.'s was delightfully entertained in the spacious parlors of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Montgomery in the Journal Building last Tuesday evening. Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Ward and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Grigsby.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING

"The first step to knowledge is to know that we are ignorant."

There is always a Judas dipping the hand of betrayal in the friendly dish.

A great character is often overshadowed through a persistency to toady to the smaller things in life.

There is certainly a great deal of truth in the saying, remarks an authority, that where women are there surely will gossip be also. Women for the most part deny this accusation, as it is rather humiliating to be thought not to have a mind and soul above such far from elevating proclivities; but that women are responsible for most of the idle gossip one hears there is no doubt. We have often been told by men that women are lacking in the highest sense of honor in that they are not true and loyal to each other under any and al circumstances as men are; and surely when we hear dear friends (?) betray each other's confidence, as we have so often, we do not wonder that they are sized up by the sterner sex in this rather mortifying manner.

There are gossips and gossips, however, and all should not be judged too harshly or put in the same category. Some women are born to it, some acquire it, and others, in sheer self-defence, are forced to it. Most women gossip to be entertaining, in which they are encouraged mightily by men, who delight in the small talk of the hour, but will probably criticise the woman afterward for so entertaining them. The harm that results from all this idle gossip, this kill-time conversation, cannot be estimated. Many a woman's good name has been smirched beyond cleansing by it, and many a home made miserable.

The trouble with gossip is that it grows so persistently, and what is at first an amusing little piece of conversation in which every one is more or less interested, and which is told most harmlessly, reaches gigantic proportions in an incredibly short time, and the stories, as first and last, are often not merely irreconcilable, but absolutely unrecognizable.

It is hard to tell just where gossip ends and lying begins; the two are so closely allied that it is almost impossible to separate them. But it is the woman who gossips maliciously that is to be both feared and avoided. She it is who probably says little but implies much, and who leaves it to her acquaintances to keep the ball rolling and enlarge upon the original, as she feels pretty sure they will do. This kind of woman cannot be too strongly condemned; although it is only a question of time when her true character is known, and she is shunned and despised by all who know her. There is so much in life that is elevating and good that it is heart-sickening that so much valuable time is lost in this unwomanly pastime. Be charitable and kindly. If you can't say anything good, say nothing; and, above all do not repeat everything that you see and hear.

NINTH PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

Last Sunday was a good day. The services was interesting and well attended.

Mrs. L. Fields, Mrs. E. J. Garvin and Mr. J. M. Garvin joined the church.

The Rev Wm. O. White will preach to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

There was an extra large attendance at the Sabbath School last Sunday, a number of visitors from Cincinnati and other cities were present.

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ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Mrs. Tillie Smith and her little daughter Gertrude are much better.

One person joined church last Sunday.

Rev. T. W. Henderson, D. D., business manager of the Book Concern in Philadelphia, Pa., preached an excellent sermon last Sunday evening.

Rev. Murray left for conference last Tuesday afternoon.

The lecture by Mrs. F. W. Thurman last Sunday was very fine and highly appreciated by all.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Alice Beckwith was held last Tuesday afternoon, the pastor officiating.

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